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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: ORD, OSA, OSP Coordination Meeting--Project [REDACTED]

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1. Time and Place: 4 March 1970, 0930 to 1130 hours, OSP Operations Center, Room 6B02 Headquarters Building.

2. Attendance: John Crowley, D/OSP

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3. Purpose: This meeting was convened to brief the representatives of the various offices who are to be involved in the program and to prepare them, and a schedule of events, for a briefing of Mr. Duckett in approximately two weeks, and the NRO, Dr. McLucas, in about three weeks.

4. Background:

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a. [REDACTED] generally reviewed the background of this program. On 27 January 1970 Dr. Steininger pointed out that Mr. Duckett had decided that ORD, OSA, and OSP should get together and prepare a briefing for the NRO in order to solicit interest and funding for Phase Zero of the program. The meeting with Dr. Steininger had followed the briefings of General Ross, Mr. Crowley, and Mr. Chapman; on the basis of it they assigned representatives from their offices to participate in developing answers to the questions which Dr. Steininger felt were necessary for a proper briefing.

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b. [REDACTED] gave a technical briefing on the program, generally covering the [REDACTED] work, briefly outlining Mission 1 of the [REDACTED] proposal, but concentrating on Mission 2 of the [REDACTED] proposal which will be the subject of this NRO briefing.

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5. Schedule of Events: Tentatively, it is decided that the various representatives will perform the functions outlined in the following paragraphs such that they will have all the background data and visual aids necessary in their area of interest to permit Mr. Duckett, Dr. Steininger, and the office chiefs to be briefed on or about 20 March, and a briefing of Dr. McLucas a week later.

6. Assignments:

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a. [REDACTED] is the ORD program manager and will coordinate all data received on all elements of the program in preparation for the briefing, and will assist each as necessary to see that the various activities are carried out adequately and on schedule.

b. Cameras. [REDACTED]

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c. On-Axis Tracking Station. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] will ask [REDACTED] (who was not present at the meeting) to brief an appropriate OSP representative on the capabilities and status of the ARPA On-Axis Tracking Station and will set up a trip to the site if it is deemed necessary.

d. Mission or Operational Scenario. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] will be responsible for generating the operational scenario for the briefing. It should include the names

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and types of targets, the range of original inclinations required to cover all essential targets, and will select a typical important mission which will be presented in the briefing. He will also acquire the essential information on recovery procedures and requirements. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] of OSA will acquire operational data on [REDACTED] coordinating with [REDACTED] in order to provide a complete scenario.

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e. [REDACTED] will get in touch with [REDACTED] to acquire performance data on [REDACTED] or a nature and to the degree necessary for such a mission. They will also investigate the type of modifications required [REDACTED]. This will be set up through [REDACTED]

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f. [REDACTED] Briefing Data. [REDACTED] will contact [REDACTED] and solicit all additional information and assistance required in organizing the overall briefing.

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